As per the Greenfield Airport Policy, the proposal for setting up of Greenfield Airports are also received from the promoters from time-to-time and considered by a Steering Committee for 'in-principle' approval. After the announcement of Greenfield Airport Policy, 'in principle' approval has been given for the establishment of 12 airports for public use namely Mopa (Goa), Navi Mumbai, Sindhudurg (Maharashtra), Kannur (Kerala), Bijapur, Simoga, Hassan, Gulbarga (Karnataka), Dabra Airport, Gwalior (Madhya Pradesh), Durga Pur (West Bengal).

The cost, location, completion schedule, etc. of such proposals are project specific, the firmed up details of which are furnished by the promoters on finalization of Detailed Project Report.

Difference in airfares from Gulf countries to India

448. SHRI P. RAJEEVE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a vast difference in the fares of air travel from the Gulf countries to various cities in India and in Kerala;

(b) the basis on which the airfares are worked out; and

(c) what are the reasons for the difference in the fares?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (c) The Government does not regulate airline fares. It is for the airlines themselves to decide fares as per their revenue management and competition with the other airlines operating on a particular route and having regard to all relevant factors including their cost of operations, characteristics and level of service etc.

Increase in the share capital of AAI

†449. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has permitted to increase the share capital of Airports Authority of India (AAI);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the sectors wherein this amount will be utilized by AAI for the benefits of the activities of the company and welfare of its employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Airport at Kota, Rajasthan

†450. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether it is a fact that the airport in Kota City, Rajasthan is now no more safe and appropriate for flight services due to development of dense localities around it;

(b) whether any new place has been identified for construction of a new airport at Kota; and

(c) by when new airport in Kota will be constructed and placed on aviation map?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) No, Sir. However, the growth of dense localities around the airport has affected the expansion/upgradation of the airport for any higher category of aircraft operation.

(b) and (c) The State Government had identified few sites, which were inspected by Airports Authority of India (AAI) but not found suitable. An alternative site was suggested by the AAI to which the State Government's response is awaited.

Cancellation of flight by Air India

451. PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an Air India flight from Delhi to Dubai was cancelled on 30 October, 2009; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Debts of airlines

452. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the present status of debts of each airline;

(b) the comparative details thereof during the last three years;

(c) the exact reasons for such debts of airlines; and

(d) the steps being taken to avoid such situation in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (d) The information is being collected.

Plan for restructuring of Air India

453. SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state: